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SUBJECT: TEXACO AND PETROLEUM PRICE ISSUE

REF: STATE 142279; TEGUCIGALPA 2698

1. TEXACO REP IN HONDURAS MCDONALD PHONED DCM JULY 25 FROM SAN PEDRO SULA CONCERNING GOH FREEZE ON PRICES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS. MCDONALD REVIEWED ENTIRE PICTURE, INCLUDING EXPIRY OF ORIGINAL DEADLINE WHICH TEXACO GAVE GOH FOR CONSIDERATION OF PROBLEM, AND SAID CONTINUING INCREASES IN PRICE OF CRUDE WERE MAKING TEXACO POSITION INTOLERABLE.

2. HE REFERRED TO KINNAR MEETING WITH SCHLAUDEMAN AND LAZAR, AND SAID THAT TEXACO HAD ALSO TALKED TO GOH EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. HE MENTIONED THAT HIS DIRECTORS HAD GIVEN HIM THE IMPRESSION THEY WERE GOING TO PUSH HARD FOR ACCOMMODATION ON ISSUE, BUT THAT ALTHOUGH
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THEY DO NOT LIKE TO TALK ABOUT DEADLINES, HE BELIEVED

"THERE ARE TEETH TO BACK UP TEXACO POSITION." HE ALLUDED TO POSSIBLE "SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES" FOR HONDURAS. HE ASKED WHETHER EMBASSY HAD ANY NEW INFORMATION ON GOH POSITION.

3. DCM REPLIED WE HAD BEEN ADVISED ABOUT KINNEAR VISIT, BUT HAD NO RECENT INDICATIONS OF HONDURAN VIEWS. WE UNDERTOOK TO ADVISE HIM IF WE HEARD ANYTHING, AND ASKED HIM TO VISIT US ON HIS NEXT TRIP TO TEGUCIGALPA, WHICH HE SAID WOULD PROBABLY BE ON AUGUST 3.

4. COMMENT. MCDONALD SAID HE LAST TALKED TO MINECON TWO WEEKS AGO. AS OPPOSED TO PETROLEUM DISTRIBUTORS ESSO AND CHEVRON, TEXACO HAS NOT ADVISED US OF RECENT MEETINGS. OF COURSE THERE HAS BEEN NO ANNOUNCED CHANGE IN GOH POSITION. EMBASSY WILL REVIEW SITUATION WITH MCDONALD ON AUGUST 3 AND WILL MAKE POINTS WITH HONDURAN OFFICIALS SUGGESTED IN STATE 142279 AS OPPORTUNITIES ARISE.
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